

Wednesday e-Folder

May 15, 2019

Feast Day for Saint Isidore

Saint Isidore was born to very poor yet very pious Catholic parents in Madrid, Spain. His parents were unable to support him when he was a youth and sent him to work for a wealthy landowner, John de Vergas (He ended up working for him for the rest of his life). He married a very religious woman named Maria Torribia (also known as Maria de la Cabeza). She, like Isidore became a saint. In addition, Isidore had deep religious instincts. He rose early in the morning to go to church and spent many a holiday devoutly visiting the churches of Madrid and surrounding areas. All day long, as he walked behind the plow, he communed with God. His devotion, one might say, became a problem, for his fellow workers sometimes complained that he often showed up late because of lingering in church too long. Late, though he was, his plowing was nevertheless accomplished by angels that resulted in three times more productivity. He was known for his love of the poor, and there are accounts of Isidore's supplying them miraculously with food. He also had a great concern for the proper treatment of animals.

Isidore was canonized in 1622 along with four very notable Spanish saints. The group, known as "the five saints", included St. Ignatius of Loyola, St. Teresa of Avila, St. Francis Xavier, St. Phillip Neri, and St. Isidore. His body has been found incorrupt and his feast day is celebrated today on the Roman Calendar. He is known as the patron of farmers, peasants, day laborers, and rural communities.

 $\underline{\text{http://www.savior.org/saints/isidore.htm}}$

Quote of the Week

"Nothing exists without music, for the universe itself is said to have been framed by a kind of harmony of sounds, and the heaven itself revolves under the tone of that harmony."

Saint Isidore



Pre-Kindergarten Field Trip to the Maryland Zoo

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Things You Need to KNOW:

"Praying for our Military"—Theme for the Month

As part of this month's theme of "Praying for our Military", we have arranged a brief prayer service during tomorrow's Community Meeting (March 16). This event will be led by the students in grades 2 and 6.

Then next week, we will continue our prayers for the military as we hold a special event on Thursday, May 23 at 11:40am. The upcoming Memorial Day holiday offers a fitting occasion in which honor those who have died while serving our country as a member of the US Armed Forces. This prayer service will be held outside by the Saint Agnes Statue facing Route 40 and will include a professional bugelist who will perform TAPS as part of this event. Please click <a href="https://example.com/hemzes/hem

As always, parents and other family members are invited to attend our prayer service events.

Early Dismissal Day—May 23

Please note that we will follow a 12:05pm dismissal next Thursday, May 23.

NO SCHOOL—May 24 and May 27

In observance of Memorial Day, we have scheduled a long weekend with no school on Friday, May 24 and Monday, May 27. May God bless all those who have died in service to our country.

IOWA Interim Assessments

May 20-22 has been scheduled as the days in which students in grades 2-8 will take part in the IOWA Interims for the third trimester. As a reminder, each of these assessments are administered during the students' scheduled ELA and Math class periods.

Cell-Phones and Field Trip

As a reminder, our school policy is that students in grades Pre-K to 7 are not permitted to being cellular technology on our off campus field trip experiences.

Field Day—May 23

Please note that your child will be soon receive a note from his/her teacher denoting their assigned team color (either red or blue) for the upcoming Field Day. This memorable event is scheduled for next Thursday.

Things You Are Asked to DO:

Tuition Raffle Sale—May 1 to May 23

As a reminder, our tuition raffle program event invites our community to purchase a ticket for one year's paid tuition. Each ticket costs \$25 and can be purchased in the school office by cash or by check. Please note that we will only sell a maximum of 500 tickets. So don't delay, purchase your tickets today!

H.S.A. Notes

Field Day Volunteers

Field Day volunteers are needed. Please e-mail Julie Williams at jwilliams@stagnesschool.net to sign up. Volunteers are need on Thursday, May 23 from 7:30am until 12:00pm.

Returning families

Please contact Sherita Thomas at mrssheritathomas@gmail.com or Kristin Young at kristinmichelle82@yahoo.com if you are interested in serving in a leadership role for the St. Agnes Home and School Association (H.S.A).

School Board Committee

Please contact Rob Costante at rcostante@stagnesschool.net if you are interesting in serving as a member of a school board committee.

Service as a member of one of the School Board committees is a wonderful way in which to earn volunteer hours.

St. Agnes Summer STEAM

"Flashback Sale":

Time still remains to register for the "Flashback Sale" to the early-bird prices that we offered earlier. However, this discounted sale price ends on Thursday, May 16. your child for the best summer experience in Baltimore. Please click **HERE** for the registration page.

Mark Your Calendar

May 16 Kindergarten/1st Grade Field Trip to the Maryland Zoo

May 21 7th Grade Service Experience at Frederick Villa

May 20-22 lowa Interim Assessments

May 23 Field Day

May 23 "Praying for our Military" Prayer Service

May 23 12:05pm Early Dismissal

May 24-27 Memorial Day Holiday Break

May 30 Middle School Field Trip Day

May 31 8th Grade service Experience at My Brother's Keeper

June 6 Last Full Day of Class for 8th Grade

June 6 Passing of the Torch Ceremony

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